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FEDERAL GRAND JURY RETURNS INDICTMENTS

Madison, Wisconsin -- A federal grand jury in the Western District of Wisconsin, sitting in Madison, returned the following indictments today. You are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

TWO CHARGED WITH SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF MINORS

Roger Smith, 37, of Hollandale, Wis., and Carrie Wheaton, 30, of west central Illinois, are charged with two counts of knowingly using minors to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing visual depictions. The indictment alleges that this occurred on November 10, 2007 and February 2, 2008. In addition, the indictment charges Wheaton with two counts of assisting Smith in using Wheaton's two minor children to produce the visual depictions.

If convicted, Smith and Wheaton face a mandatory minimum penalty of 15 years and a maximum of 30 years in federal prison on each count. The charges against them are the result of an investigation by the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigation and the Iowa County Sheriff's Department. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Timothy M. O'Shea.

MADISON MAN CHARGED WITH GUN CRIME

Marcus Kilgore, 22, of Madison, is charged with being a felon in possession of a firearm and ammunition. The indictment alleges that he possessed a .38 caliber revolver and ammunition on January 30, 2008.

If convicted, Kilgore faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in federal prison. The charge against him is the result of an investigation by the Madison Police Department. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Rita M. Rumbelow.

MADISON MAN CHARGED WITH DRUG CRIME

Lamarr Murray, 28, of Madison, is charged with possessing 50 grams or more of crack cocaine with intent to distribute. The indictment alleges that he possessed the crack cocaine on February 15, 2008.

If convicted, Murray faces a mandatory minimum penalty of 10 years and a maximum of life in federal prison. The charge against him is the result of an investigation by the Madison Police Department and the Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Rita M. Rumbelow.

MADISON MAN CHARGED WITH GUN CRIME

Johnathon Young, 24, of Madison, is charged with being a felon in possession of a firearm and ammunition. The indictment alleges that he possessed a .22 caliber pistol with an obliterated serial number and .22 caliber ammunition on February 25, 2008.

If convicted, Young faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in federal prison. The charge against him is the result of an investigation by the Madison Police Department. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Rita M. Rumbelow.

CHICAGO MAN CHARGED WITH DRUG CRIMES

Robert L. Gipson, 38, of Chicago, is charged with distributing crack cocaine and possessing crack cocaine with intent to distribute. The indictment alleges that he distributed the crack cocaine on February 18, 2008, and that he possessed the drug on February 21, 2008.

If convicted, Gipson faces a mandatory minimum penalty of five years and a maximum of 40 years in federal prison. The charges against him are the result of an investigation by the Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force. The prosecution of this case has been assigned by Assistant U.S. Attorney David J. Reinhard.

SPARTA MAN CHARGED WITH THEFT OF MAIL

Michael G. Coffin, 28, of Sparta, Wis., is charged with two counts of stealing mail, while working as a contract employee of the U.S. Postal Service. The indictment alleges that on November 7 and November 28, 2007, Coffin removed gift cards from envelopes deposited in the U.S. mail at the Fort McCoy Post Office.

If convicted, Coffin faces a maximum penalty of five years in federal prison on each

count. The charges against him are the result of an investigation by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert A. Anderson.

ATLANTA MAN CHARGED WITH FRAUD CRIMES

Michael Harris, 23, of Atlanta, is charged with two counts of using an access device issued to another person to receive a thing with a value in excess of \$1000. The indictment alleges that these offenses both occurred on August 30, 2007.

If convicted, Harris faces a maximum penalty of 15 years in federal prison. The charges against him are the result of an investigation by the U.S. Secret Service. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul W. Connell.

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